



Jaquelin Smith Is May Queen

Don Cossack Chorus Sings At Lyceum

N.C.A. Presents Russia Chorus in Outstanding Musical Entertainment of Year

The first Lyceum number of the year 1936-37 was presented on Tuesday evening, Dec. 1, in the Fredericksburg high school auditorium. This program, sponsored by the National Concert association, featured Don Cossack's Russian Male Chorus, which was conducted by Serge Jaroff. This group of singers opened the program with a selection of religious numbers. These included: "Preserve Us, O Lord," by Techenokoff, a prayer of the Russian Church; "Psalm I of David," an old church melody from the Kiev-Petchersky Monastery; "In Thy Kingdom," by Panchenko, the twenty-second psalm; "How Great Is Our Lord in Zion," Bornlansky; and "Have Mercy on Us, O God!" Lvonsky, a phrase which is repeated forty times.

The second part of the program included the Native Cossack songs, consisting of "The Old Corporal," by Jaroff-Gogotzky; Turk and Kuban Cossack Songs, arranged by Mr. Jaroff; "Ejh Uchnymen," (Voiga Boatman Song) rendered in an arrangement by Serge Jaroff; "An Old Polka," by Dabrowen; and "Lexinka," a Caucasian song by Schnedoff.

The third and last group of these songs was composed of: "Soldiers Songs," arranged by Jaroff; "The Red Sarafan," Alexander Warlamoff; "Black Eyes," by Schredoff; and "Don Songs," by Serge Jaroff, the conductor. Two Russian Cossacks gave an interpretation of the Prussian dances and received enthusiastic applause.

For many centuries these Cossacks roamed at will on the steppes in Russia and bowed to no ruler or nation. In 1872, Peter the Great organized this band of fierce tribesmen into a military unit such as was never known to exist. Loving their Czar to the end, they fought with no fear of death. They were the Don Cossacks—men who defied danger singing! Their name is derived from that part of Russia through which the Don river flows to empty itself into the Sea of Azov.

During the Czarist regime, this Don Cossack chorus served in the Imperial army. Serge Jaroff served as a lieutenant of a machine gun corps.

Little did they realize that they would soar the heights of prominence which they now possess when they were a group of half-starved men, forming a chorus and working under the direction of the now distinguished conductor, Mr. Jaroff.

Dr. Combs, Pres., Is Convalescent

Dr. Morgan I. Combs, president of the college, has been suffering from an attack of the influenza for the past week, but he is now convalescent. Dr. Combs has been greatly missed from the campus by both the members of the faculty and students.

What a snicker went up when some innocent freshman strayed into Dr. Darter's history and civics class and asked if it were the singing class. Dr. Darter very kindly put the young lady on the right track.



MARY MILLER

Mary Miller Heads '36-'37 German Club

The members of the German club for the year 1936-1937 Miss Mary Franklyn Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Anthony Miller of 431 Delafield Place, N. W., Washington.

Miss Miller and her escort, Mr. Edward Hargaden, director athletics at the Georgetown Preparatory school, will lead the figure at the first dance of the Club this season to be given on Feb. 6.

Miss Miller is a senior at the college where she is majoring in home economics and minoring in science and physical education. She has been an active member of the Grace K. Tanner Home Economics club and of the German club since her freshman year.

Miss Corah Alice Rife, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Rife of Smithfield, was elected secretary of the German club, and Miss Mary Jack Clary, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Amos Clary of Bowling Green, was elected treasurer of the organization.

Doll Show to Begin Saturday, Dec. 12

Soon the Tea Room will be transformed into a display room for the Doll Show, an annual event sponsored by the Young Women's Christian association which is anticipated with as much interest as are Peanut Week and the formal Christmas dinner.

The doll shows are produced by fourteen groups of freshmen, each directed by a freshman commissioner and an upperclassman. The members of each group, with an allotment of five dolls, prepare a stage, using any scheme they desire. Various scenes of campus activities have been popular in the past, but the display does not necessarily have to depict college life. When placed side by side along the walls of the Tea Room, they present a delightful array to all who enter the room.

The exhibition will be ready by Saturday, although the displays will not be judged until Sunday afternoon. Ribbons will be awarded the three best doll shows.

At the end of the show the dolls will be collected and sent to a mission in the Blue Ridge mountains of Virginia to be distributed among needy children.

Upperclassmen who are leaders in the Doll Show are Estell Warren, Bessie Leonard, Lena Florentino, Lois Petersen, Mary Grace Hawkins, Phyllis Hersh, Frances McLeod, Lucille Crockett, Jessie Crockett,

Dr. J. H. Dodd Leads Business Association

G. H. Parker Is Elected Treasurer. Meeting Next Year to Be Held New Orleans

Two members of the Department of Commerce at the College were elected to office in the Southern Business Education Association at its annual convention held in Knoxville, Tenn., on Nov. 26, 27, and 28. Dr. James Harvey Dodd, head of the department, was elected president, and Mr. G. H. Parker, assistant professor of commercial education, was elected treasurer. This will be Dr. Dodd's second term as president of the association.

The Southern Business Education Association is composed of teachers of business subjects in the high schools, colleges, and private commercial schools of the South, and as president Dr. Dodd will again be charged with the responsibility for the program of the convention for next year which will be held in New Orleans, Louisiana, during Thanksgiving week.

Dr. Dodd is well known in business educational circles and has been active in the Southern Association for several years. He has published many articles dealing with problems of business education, and is the author of some of the most widely used textbooks in this field.

U. D. C. Offers Prize For Best Essay

The Virginia Division, United Daughters of Confederacy, is offering a prize of twenty-five dollars to the college student submitting the best essay on "Virginia's Responsibility to the Nation."

Rules for the contest are: 1. Essays must be typed, no more than 2500 words. Number of words stated at top left hand corner of page.

2. Papers must bear fictitious name of writer, real name with school and address in sealed envelope clipped to paper having fictitious name on outside.

3. Papers must be kept flat and mailed between cardboard.

4. Essays must be in hands of local United Daughters of Confederacy chapter or Division Historian not later than May 1.

5. Bibliography must be given, but will not be included in number of words.

6. Use term "War Between the States." Ten points will be deducted for use of term "Civil War."

7. Requests for return of essays must be accompanied by sufficient postage.

8. Prize winning essays become the property of the Virginia Division, United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Last year Miss Betty Osborn, member of the senior class, won the state prize of \$10 offered by the United Daughters of the Confederacy for a sonnet on Sidney Lanier. This should challenge other members of our student body to enter the contest.

A picture of Miss Osborn and a copy of her sonnet, "The Young Genius," were published in the "Washington Post." As a result of this she was requested to send a

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Grace Schultz, Rebecca Silver, Evelyn Riggs, Evelyn Andrews, and Calvert Spillman.



JAQUELIN SMITH

YW to Give Play Friday Night at 8

"After Wimpole Street," will be presented by the Dramatic club for the benefit of the YWCA Friday evening, Dec. 11, at 8 o'clock, in the college auditorium. The play, written by Wilbur Braun, is a comedy in three acts. The theme of this drama is based on the married life of Elizabeth Barrett Browning and Robert Browning.

The cast of the play includes Charlotte Davis as Robert Browning, the poet; Alice Dew, as Mrs. Browning, his adored wife; Rachel Shelton as Lily Wilson, the maid; Meriam Carpenter as Isa Blagden, her friend; Mel Verdind Phillips as Fanny Kemble, an actress; Effie Pringos as Madame Ika, a spiritualist medium; Flora Ryan as Mrs. Whitney Tillinghast, an American tourist Ellen Easterly as Alessandro Righi of the Grand Duke's guard; Addibel Freeman as Leopold II, the Grand Duke of Tuscany; and Grace Cox as Rupert Hausman, a young Austrian soldier.

The scene of the play is laid in Casa Guida, Florence, Italy in 1847. Miss Jennie Thurman, supervisor of the First Grade of the Training School, sponsor of the club, and Miss Alice Dew, president, have charge of the performance.

The following very important and necessary committees have been appointed: properties committee, headed by L. Florentino; the costumes committee at the head of which Dorothy Delhi has been appointed; and the general properties committee, with Elizabeth Clark in charge.

Those who have been on the Hill for past years know and recognize the merit of these performances. It is certain that the presentations this year will not fall short of our greatest expectations.

Alpha Tau Pi Initiates Pledges

At a recent meeting of Alpha Tau Pi, a fraternity for majors and minors in elementary education at the State Teachers College at Fredericksburg, the following pledges were initiated: Elizabeth Clarke, Williamsburg, Va.; "Buff" Haley, Toano, Va.; Juanita Owen, Long Island, Va.; and Frances Kirkwood, Sterling, Va., who are applicants for the B.S. degree in the next graduation.

The junior pledges were: Flora Ryan, Falls Church, Va.; Mary Ellen Lee, Vineland, N. J.; Mae Lawrence Showard, Chincoteague, Va.; Nancy Cooper, Niles, Mich.; and Louise McGhee, Fredericksburg, Va. Miss Kirkwood is the year's vice president of Student Government.

Students Elect Lovely Senior To High Honor

Former Town Student to Preside at May Court. Has Been Maid of Honor

Miss Jaquelin Randolph Smith, daughter of Mrs. Emma Lawless Nunnally of Fredericksburg, was elected May Queen at a meeting of the student body held last Friday, Dec. 4.

Miss Smith, a popular member of the Senior class and a former town student, presided as Queen of the May at Fredericksburg high school in the May Court of 1933. She has been a maid in the May Court at the State Teachers College every year since she was a freshman.

The May Queen is elected on the basis of several qualities, namely, loveliness of form and figure, beauty of carriage, loveliness of posture as in standing and sitting, refinement and beauty of face, general graciousness, and pleasing personality.

Miss Smith is a major in social science and a minor in science and English. She is secretary of the Modern Portias and also a member of the Dramatic club and the German club.

Glee Club to Give Concert Next Week

The Glee Club will present its annual concert of Christmas music at Convocation next Wednesday evening, Dec. 16. It will be directed by Miss Eva Taylor Eppes, head of the department of music and sponsor of the Glee Club. Miss Karis McElroy will play the piano accompaniment.

The musical selections to be sung by the entire club will include: "How Far Is It to Bethlehem?," "The Virgin's Slumber Song," "Sing We Noel," "Adeste Fideles," "Joy to the World," "The Crusaders Hymn," and "God So Loved the World."

Virginia Jones and Clarice Taylor will sing as a duet "An Old Sacred Lullaby." Miss Mildred McMurtry, associate professor of languages, and Miss Marian Chaucey, assistant professor of music, will play the violin duet "Jesu Bambino."

On several other occasions before the holidays the Glee Club will entertain with Christmas music. Next Sunday evening the club will sing at the First Baptist church. On Wednesday night the club is planning to go carolling through the streets of Fredericksburg.

The Y.W.C.A. choir and the freshman choir, directed by Fay Luther, president of the Glee Club, will sing Christmas carols in the dormitories of the college early in the morning of Friday, Dec. 18.

No Class Cuts Before Christmas Holidays

According to present regulations, students are not permitted to take class cuts during the last week of any quarter. Since the fall quarter ends on Dec. 18, class cuts must not be taken preceding Christmas holidays.

and Miss McGhee is the town girl representative to this organization. Miss Lee was chosen by the student body as editor-in-chief of the 1937 Battlefield. Miss Ryan holds the position as chairman of the freshman commission.

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1945 ???

Like H. G. Wells, we, too, think it interesting to imagine, to seemingly peer into the future and to visualize ourselves nine years hence—say in 1945.

And incidentally, what we are in 1945 depends a great deal on what we are today! Here at college we are living one of the most formative periods of our lives. The things we want, the thoughts we think, the deeds we do, the people we select as our friends and leaders—all these blend in making a future either of harmonious hues or wretched blotches, depending entirely on us!

Are the selections we are making here of a lasting quality and nature? Nine years from now, after a taste of life, will we be able to say, "I was better able to cope with certain situations because of experiences gained at college?" You know, college helps us to become better teachers, better wives, better citizens—but it does so only when we accept what it has to offer. Sounds simple enough, doesn't it?

To stimulate ourselves into a more purposeful swing here at college just remember that in the near future we'll be a part, an actual part of this mad "whirl." We'll meet love, adventure, death, disappointment, and triumph, we'll taste the bitter and the sweet. That which we must learn to do is accept all of them gracefully and with a challenging air about us. Never, not even to ourselves, must be admitted hopeless defeat—defeat, yes, but with a spirit to begin anew, not a feeling of despair.

So that 1945 may reveal a flattering likeness of ourselves let's start now to make the frame. Start with our inner selves in making changes. After we have reached the stage of perfection we can start on the other fellow. Will we be among the desirable F.S.T.C. alumnae in 1945?

Slips That Pass on the Hill

Now that Indian Summer is over and the snow and sleet have signified that Old King Winter is at the door, it will be the business of every student to learn the art of treading on glassy pathways and ice-covered steps.

We don't mean to discourage you new girls, but before the thaws of spring come again, there will be some fantastic spills and tumbles, taken by many innocent lassies who forget for the moment how slippery is their "understanding." You freshmen in Frances Willard and Virginia Hall who find it necessary to run to breakfast should be warned that after a freezing, rainy night, the viaduct and the steps to Seacobeck should not be attempted in a light frivolous fashion, but should be given much thoughtful consideration beforehand. This warning also goes to those who have to come around the walk by the Training School. Many little earlier from now on if they expect to climb that hill and be on a sweet young thing has lost her equilibrium at this perilous spot.

On laundry days freshmen will have to leave for lunch just a time, for it takes a few more minutes to climb it when it is covered in ice and snow. (Remember the riddle about the frog coming out of the well jumping up two feet each time and falling back one foot?)

One should be on guard most of all when she is descending the steps to the post office. Many have felt the world fall from under them at this precarious location.

This is just a friendly warning, and we are not trying to change the minds of those who prefer the season of winter. Indeed, the campus is never lovelier than when it is blanketed in a beautiful coat of snow. Just as every rose must have its thorns, every snow must have its falls.

Peace Council To Hold Chapel

The Council of the Emergency Peace Campaign will have charge of the Chapel program on Friday, Dec. 11. The aim of the program is to give the students of the college an appreciation of the work being conducted by the campaign in the leading colleges and universities throughout the country.

Members of the Council will take part in the program, led by Irene Williams, president. The aims of the Council, as well as the work of the whole campaign will be discussed. Those on the Council taking part in the organization of the program include: Irene Williams, Dorothy Miller, Elizabeth Trimble, Dorothy Diehl, Jack Smith, Lorene Potter, Mary Crehan, Margaret Gibbons, Jane Alrich, Virginia Snidow, and Elizabeth Haley.

Xmas Stockings To Be Filled

Each year it is the custom for us to fill stockings to distribute among the poor children of Fredericksburg. These stockings will be collected next Sunday night at Devotionals,

Seniors to Give Novel Benefit

Rehearsals will start immediately after the holidays on the Senior Benefit which will be given on Friday, Jan. 15.

The production, which will consist of sixteen four-minute skits, will depict how the Seniors have spent their four years at college. Definite plans for this novel and original benefit are being withheld. The cast will include as many Seniors as possible.

Mrs. Eileen K. Dodd, sponsor of the Senior Class; Miss Alice Phillips, president of the class; and Miss Mary Miller, chairman of the benefit committee, have made the outline for the benefit. Other members of the Senior Class have developed it.

at which time an impressive program will be given.

Two or three girls may work together on one stocking. Buy a pair of stockings for a child any age desired. Roll up one and put it in the toe of the other. Finish filling the stocking with toys, candies, nuts, and anything suitable for a child of that certain age.

Views and Reviews

By KAY KERSHAW

Well, Cupid has another victim and this time it is not a student. We'll give you three guesses and two aren't necessary after looking at Miss Young's beaming countenance. Yea, it's been heard tell that love does affect them like that, and her rhythmic class can tell you that it makes her absent-minded too. Remember the day last week when she called the wrong roll and didn't even know it until she had finished?

And now for the low-down on the situation: he is blond and handsome as all get-out, and they have been building ro-mansions in the air for oh, so long, and now it's going to come off on Dec. 31. Our best wishes to you Miss Young.

And that's not the only romance in our midst. We've found several candidates for a "Simpson Substitute," among the most persistent being the little Rarum Scaram Red Head, H.H. She could marry the King on any Tuesday except that she gets finger-waves on Tuesdays! "After all, one can't get fingerwaves and wedding rings all in the same day now, can one," says Hilde, and there's just about as much logic in that as there is in most of her conversation.

And have you heard the latest? Where it started no one knows, but, it has gotten around that the juniors are one of the most unsociable groups ever to step foot on our campus! Some people believe that the class as a whole is suffering from inflated egos arising from their new found position of dignity. (The gossips have it that it is caused by the graduation from lower to upperclassmen). Many failed to notice any difference in them as a whole and others claim that they could pick a junior out of any crowd of fifty.

No one is ever going to accuse the freshmen of having an overdose of dignity. It seems that one of the latest jokes pulled on the gullible frosh was to send a girl down town in search of "sky-hooks," the point being that when she asked a clerk for them he was supposed to think her an escaped lunatic. Anyhow, Virginia Jay, sweet innocent trusting, soul that she is, asked for them in town but when she turned up those big beautiful blue eyes at him the clerk took pity on her and sold her hooks with which to hang pictures!

New Teaching Assignments Made

Tentative teaching assignments for the winter quarter have been made recently.

The following girls will teach in the high school department:

English I, Selma Pland and Jane Alrich; English II, Evelyn Riggs and Jacqueline Smith; English III, Charlotte C. Mitchell and Margaret Tyson; English IV, Dorothy Ball; History I, Lorene Potter and Virginia Snidow; History II, Elizabeth Johnson and Mary Davis; History III, Helen McLaugherty and Katherine Burgess; History IV, Frances Gray Nash and Cheatham Taylor; General Science, Anna Louise Godwin and Doris Lafont; Biology, Mary Jack Clay and Alice Rife; Chemistry, Katherine Dryden; Math, I, Helen G. Hill and Bertha Shapleigh; French I, Pauline King; French II, Caroline Morris; Latin I, Ruby Motley.

Home Ec.—Training School, Charlotte Frazer and Julia Harris; Home Ec.—Fred. High School, Rubenette Young and Mamie Gillespie; Science—Fred. High School, Mary Elizabeth Elam; Typing I, Sue McGee; Typing II, Lucy Payne; Shorthand I, Nina Wade-Dalton; Shorthand II, Jessie Crockett; Bookkeeping I, Margaret Smith; Bookkeeping II, Jeanette Plant; Commercial Arithmetic, Elizabeth Haley; Commercial Arithmetic, Fred. High School, Dorothy Ballance, Flossie Ratcliffe, and Dorothy Ramey.

The Physical Education assignments are:

First Grade, Flora Ryan, Mary Buckley, and Hildrup Wingo; Second Grade, Frances Packett and Ellen Hume; Third Grade, Virginia Easley and Frances Mayse; Fourth Grade, Blanche Wood and Virginia Easley; Fifth Grade, Lucy Tompkins and Frances Mayse; Sixth Grade, Della Ricks and Evelyn Andrews; Seventh Grade, Della Ricks

Mary Says...

This week I have gone into the gift situation because that is the subject of the moment. So we're off down the enchanted aisles—to crib from A. Woolcott.

A great stunt of the moment is personal perfume. Not just any old whiff, but a scent designed especially for you, your type and your whims. Bath oil is very popular too. A gift of lipstick, today, doesn't mean just one little stick, but perhaps a half dozen different shades to go with various costumes. Stores adore selling anything that's monogrammed. So handkerchiefs, linens, napkins, and such are musts on all lists. There's a brand new appeal in house robes this year. Some of the bloom-in' things are so dressy they can actually be worn as a dinner dress at home, or even as an evening coat. These are the full length, buttoned-to-the-floor type of velveteen or metal cloth, useful and popular, as well as nifty.

As for jewelry, and who doesn't appreciate a spot of that now and again? The newest design is the leaf shape. Three-strand choker pearls are still excellent, and twisted coral and turquoise necklaces, with matching bracelets, are fine. Bright gold, after several years in comparative eclipse, is considered very hot today again, and bracelets, necklaces, and rings of the good old metal are such in vogue, many trimmed with large colored stones. Gloves have lace and thong effects, with much saddle stitching, and an inclination toward fanciful cuffs. The novelty of the hour is the flower-colored glove for evening. But for a good staple color, everything points to beige as being the ace shade for the next six months—in gloves, fabrics, stockings and all the accessories. And it's a shiny year, too, don't forget. Anything ablaze with sequins—coats, short coats, evening bags—is moving rapidly over the counters. It's the sequins' biggest season.

In closing, may I express my seasonal wishes and wish for all of you a very Merry Christmas.

and Evelyn Andrews; Eighth and Ninth Grades, Elizabeth Clark; Tenth and Eleventh Grades, Louise Elmer; City high school, Ellen Easterly.

Those teaching in the elementary grades are:

First Grade, Flora Ryan, Hildrup Wingo, Helene Wallace, Mary Buckley, and Virginia Westbrook; Second Grade, Ellen Hume and Frances Packett; Third Grade, Frances Palmer, Hazel Leigh, and Rosalie Chauncey; Fourth Grade, Blanche Wood, Elizabeth Gouldman, and May Showard; Fifth Grade, Katherine Nicholas, Evelyn Wilkinson, Lucy Tompkins, and Ellen Easterly; Sixth Grade, Edith Cocker, Dorothy Falcor, and Margaret Haynie; Seventh Grade, Evelyn Herring, Edna Motley, and Karis McElroy. The music assignments are as follows:

First Grade, Flora Ryan and Helene Wallace; Second Grade, Rosalie Chauncey; Third Grade, Martha Whitaker; Fourth Grade, Marjorie Horner; Fifth Grade, Anne Lipscombe; Training School H. S., Martha Whitaker; Fredericksburg high school, Karis McElroy.

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The Thanksgiving holidays always serve as a break for the great majority of the students, most of whom go home and gain weight, which is just the polite way of saying "gorge turkey." Some, however, stuck out for unfamiliar but none the less interesting points. They had a gorgeous time, too. Among these are:

Charlotte Davis, who went to the V.M.I. ring dance. It was quite an exciting event, take it from "Chick" and don't ever miss it if you get the chance!

While on the subject of V.M.I. there was a regular round up of S.T.C. girls at the game in Roanoke.

Evelyn Riggs spent most of the time going and coming; but she got as far as Georgia where she met Appleby, and saw the Tech-University of Georgia game. Incidentally, the game turned out the right way for Evelyn.

Dot Hill went to Newport News where she had such a good time that her watchword now is "There's no place like home but Newport News." (A new watchword for you, Dr. Shankle.)

Bernice Whipple went to Norfolk to visit in Hazel Leigh's home.

It is rumored that the Maryland girl made good in Virginia. Peggy Austin is the young lady in question. She visited near Staunton in Kitty Jordan's home. It seems that Kitty is very popular with the A.M.A. cadets. Peggy held her own as far as popularity goes, the incoming mails prove that!

Irene Blasel visited Zonie Compton at Roanoke during the holidays. They both went to the game.

Martha Whitaker and Fay Luther went to the game at Richmond.

This "brother and sister" idea that Libba Trimble and Ella Gordon Rowe sported during the holidays is very quaint, isn't it? Libba and Ella Gordon stayed in Richmond. For further details, read your local newspapers.

Peggy Haynie has just returned from the dances in Richmond.

Lucy Fleet Head went to Richmond last week-end to visit her sister.

Dr. George E. Shankle, head of the English department, spent the Thanksgiving holidays in the Library of Congress, writing on his new book dealing with American motives and slogans. Dr. Shankle is a tireless worker, whose books are fast becoming recognized by students and reference workers in the United States.

Abbie Bourke hopped off to the "Hops" at Annapolis this past week-end.

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Were Emily Day's and Kathryn Nicholas' faces red when Warren and Doward surprised the gals, with a mustache apiece! What about it, Kathryn and Emily?

Selma Piland wishes she hadn't let that Fifth Avenue Tailor go to sleep on her on the way down from Washington. He snoozed peacefully until the train reached Alexandria, after which Selma engaged him in an animated conversation. By the time Fredericksburg was reached, she had his card. "Gosh," says Selma, "I didn't know he was a tailor, I just dote on tailored suits! (He was only a tailor boy, but he suited her!)"

Pete Hale may seem wild and woolly at times but she got it under foot at convocation the other night. That's all right, Pete, new things need to be tried out.

Some newcomer on the Hill innocently asked if the Student Council had receptions on Friday the

thirteenth in the "Doom" Room every year or if it was just one of those happy coincidences.

Miss Eppes needs some sympathy cards, please students! In Glee Club the other night she got very excited and swallowed a "bee." Well, who wouldn't!

Joe Lee Fleet did not get the "significance" of the playing of the tune "America" when the English girl on the I.R.C. convocation program walked onto the stage.

Ella Gordon Rowe lives in ROMANCE! It isn't as exciting as it sounds, her father is a Presbyterian minister, (Rowe Manse) That explains it. Ella Gordon steps lively enough, though.

Pauline King's artistic bent found outlet during the holidays by seeing Norfolk through the instruction of Selma Piland's brother. They took in all the noteworthy sights. They tell me, Selma resents Pauline's getting more letters from him than she does. Selma says, "After all, I am his sister!"

Maree Sweeney went home for Thanksgiving and has imported or should one say innovated a hat that surpasses all the local merchants have to offer. The other night at Iyemum the Cossacks were obscured because of it. Ask Maree to show it to you.

Pay Luther had some of us puzzled in convocation the past week. Someone had given her some little green elephants for her room decoration. These she overturned in the midst of the program. There were little green elephants all over the floor. All but the color puts one in holiday mood.

Doris Lafon and Jessie Crockett are obviously good girls. After Iyemum, so unused were they to being out of the zone that they lost their way and wandered out to Battlefield Park. It took any amount of hurry for them to get back at the conventional hour. No harm done, girls.

G. K. T. Serves Women's Club

The Grace K. Tanner Home Economics Club was invited to serve a dinner in the Tea Room on Tuesday, Dec. 1, to the Professional Woman's Club of Fredericksburg. A breakfast was served by the Club as its benefit on Sunday, Nov. 22. It was well-attended by the students.

These two projects were undertaken in order to obtain finances with which to carry on the activities of the club this year.

At a recent business meeting of the Home Economics club they chose the subject "Consumer Education," around which they will center the programs this year.

Pi Omega Pi Will Initiate Members

Miss Margaret Smith, of Fredericksburg, and Mr. Richard Kirby, associate professor of commercial education, will be formally initiated into Pi Omega Pi, only national honorary commercial teachers fraternity, next Saturday night, December 12.

Requirements for membership in Pi Omega Pi are an average of "B" on commercial subjects, an average of "C" or more on other subjects, and nine credits in Education. This chapter, which is the only one in the State of Virginia, was initiated here last May by Mr. G. H. Parker, associate professor of Commercial Education. Charter members included Dr. J. H. Dodd, professor of commercial education; G. A. Kirby, instructor in commercial education; Miss Lola Minich, instructor in Commercial Education; Misses Louise Jennings, charter president, Audrey Rose, Adelle Mansfield, Page Whitehead, Marian Goodman, and Ethel Nelson, who received their Bachelor of Science degrees last June; and Miss Frances Sherman, a senior this year.

A number of eligible commercial students who have graduated in the past have been invited to be present also for initiation. Among them are Miss Dorothy Johnson, instructor in Woodrow Wilson high school, Portsmouth; Miss Sarah Smoot and Miss Mary Thomason, instructors in Fairfax high school; and Mrs. Lorena Nell, of Fredericksburg.

Initiation will be held in the activities room in the new section of Virginia Hall.

A PARODY

'Twas the week before Christmas
and all through the dorms,
All the students and scholars were
beatly book worms;
The books were piled high by the
side of the bed
For the first time in months, some
real prayers were said.
The rooms, once so neat, now in-
voked loud dispar,
And shoes, hose, and papers were
strewn everywhere,
When over the stillness there sound-
ed light bell,
That to lagging crammers meant a
death knell.
So roommate with her blanket and
I with my book,
Went down to the pressing room—
that cold, sheltered nook,
Our lessons to cram, those hard tests
to pass,
Which still were the worry of many
a ass.

'Tiss the day before Christmas and
look at that place!
It's as neat as a pin, yet devoid of
of grace,
For Grace has gone home; is now
free from care,
And quiet oppresses the rooms left
so fair.
And leaving, these girls shout with
loud voices high,
Merry Christmas old rooms, we'll be
back by and by.
—Helen Wade Pressley

Formal Christmas Dinner on Thursday

Christmas activities on the Hill will culminate in the annual formal dinner on Thursday, Dec. 17.

This dinner is one of the high spots on the social calendar for the year. It is looked forward to eagerly by every old girl and even by the new girls because they have heard many rumors of this festive occasion.

The Christmas spirit will be accentuated in the dining hall by the use of Christmas decorations on each table. The various colors of soft light of the tall candles make the dinner gowns blended by the the occasion very colorful and bright.

Kirk, Dunn, Alvey, Go to Convention

Three members of the college faculty were on the program of the annual convention of the Virginia Education Association which was held in Richmond from November 25 to 27. These teachers led group discussions and lectured to groups in the specific fields in which they are interested.

Miss Minnie Dunn, supervisor of the fourth and fifth grades in the College Heights Training School, presided at the meeting of the fourth grade teachers in the Department of Rural Education of the convention on Nov. 25 at 11 a.m. She also discussed before this group the development of attitudes and appreciation in this grade.

On the same date at 2 p.m. Dr. Bertha M. Kirk, head of the department of physical education, led a panel discussion before the Physical Educational section of the convention on the subject "Physical and Health Education in the New Curriculum."

Dr. Edward Alvey Jr., dean and director of the Teacher Training at the college, participated in the programs of several groups. At the joint meeting of the Department of Secondary School Principals and Vocational Guidance Sections of Thursday, Nov. 26, at 9 a.m., Dr. Alvey discussed the topic, "The High Functioning as an Agency of Guidance." He also directed a discussion of this topic in a series of talks on the role of the principal, the teacher, the special worker, and the college in this phase of functional work. On the same morning, Dr. Alvey addressed the Teacher Training Section of the meeting on "Implications of Recent Trends in Education for Improving Instruction." His talk was based largely on the results of the principles or proposals for modification of existing teacher training curricula which were submitted to those in charge of the higher institutions of learning in Virginia. He presented the results of this survey in detail. On Friday

Ruth Cheshire Heads Freshman Students

Miss Ruth Cheshire, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Cheshire of Oyster Bay, New York, is president of the freshman class of 1936-37. She is a major in Commercial Education and a member of the Glee Club.

The freshmen chose as their vice president Miss Catherine Rucker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Rucker of Vienna, Virginia. She is majoring in physical education and minoring in commercial education and science.

Miss Nancy Lee Seanor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul B. Seanor of Roanoke, is the secretary of the Freshman Class. Her major is science and her minors are French and mathematics.

Miss Myrtis Hayes of Franklin, Va., who has chosen as her major commercial education, is treasurer of the freshman class

Jack Clark is in a difficult situation. Which is going to be the stronger influence, the preacher or the V.M.I. cadet? It sounds like Jack will have to fight for peace.

morning Dr. Alvey again led the Teacher Training Section in a discussion this time on "Pre-college for Prospective Teachers. He also at this time gave consideration to the preparation of teachers in secondary school curricula.

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Pop's Programs Are Enjoyed

Much interest has been shown in the musical pop programs given recently. A program of "mountain music" and a community sing were enjoyed last Saturday night by the large number of students who were in attendance. The first selection was that grand old favorite, "She'll Be Coming 'Round the Mountain," played by Mabel Layman with the mandolin, Lorraine Beck with the violin, and Novella Sled with the guitar.

"Lib" Johnson's vocal interpretation of "Love, Oh Love, Oh Careless Love" was the next number. Then Myrtle Hall, playing the guitar and the harmonica simultaneously, entertained with "Dixie" and "When I Grow too Old to Dream."

Other typical "mountain pieces" were played and sung by the entertainers. Then Miss Johnson led the audience in the singing of several favorite selections. Miss Mickey Warrick accompanied at the piano.

On Saturday evening, Nov. 21, a program, completely classical in nature, was presented by Miss Nancy Cooper and Miss Jeanne Davenport.

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MONTGOMERY WARD

Dancers Entertain With Artistic Show

The Dance Club presented a program of dancing and music at Convocation last night. The Dance Club, sponsored by the Athletic association, is one of the major organizations of the College. It is composed of those students who are interested in the creative dance as a form of art in the developing of grace and charm.

Maude Rae Smith is president of the club, while the other members are: sophomore, Helen Hyde, Bernice Whipple, Virginia Anderson, Jessie Nexsen, Marian Timberlake, Katherine Greaver, and Adibbel Freeman; juniors, Jessie Crockett, Della Ricks, Patsy Staley, and Nancy Cooper; and one senior, Olivia Kearns.

Fay Luther played the accompaniment for the program which was divided into six sections. "Introduction" written by Johnstone, was the opening number of the club. "Tools of Accompaniment" included, "Variation in Walk, Skip, Slide, and Gallop," by Bennett, and "Variations in Runs, Leaps, and Axial Movements," by Johnson. The next number was an intermission for the club, while Miss Eppes sang "Tis Snowing," by Bembers. The club then danced to "The Ghost Ship," a valse in A Minor, by Grieg. Nancy Cooper played "Grandpap Plays His Fiddle," by Copeland. The fourth number was a violin duet by Miss

violinists, Miss Patsy Staley, vocalist, and Miss Fay Luther, pianist.

These programs of entirely different vein have proven very popular. They serve to show what a wide variety of talent lies within our student body.

Chauncey and Miss McMurtry. The entire club then danced to "Crescendo," a Scherzo Alla Moderna, by Eichhorn. Jessie Nexsen gave "Oriental," by Carillo. The group including Della Ricks, Adibbel Freeman, and Katherine Greaver, interpreted a Jazz Study to "I Can't Escape From You." The last number was the club's dancing to the "Serenade" by Schubert.

The Dance Club gives several programs throughout the year, both here and at other colleges. The members of the club recently attended a dance program given in Baltimore. The club is open to all those interested who have had at least one quarter of creative dancing at the college.

A. A. Notes

The hockey season drew to a close with a great deal of excitement. Anyone who missed the Devil-Goat game missed a real treat. The game was started in the semi-darkness and finished by moonlight; and rain had been stubbornly falling most of the afternoon. Now just use your imagination; The new athletic field is not packed down enough to shed the water in a hurry, and it certainly needs some kind of light other than the moon. It does very well at times, but it won't spot a hockey ball on a muddy field.

The game, if it can be called that, was a scream—literally. Some one yelled: "Where's the ball?" Another: "Oh, I'm in the mud hole," another: "Which way's the ball going?" One time the ball was completely lost till someone hollered: "There it is." And sure enough there it was—right in the middle of the field.

The score was one of the most insignificant factors. In the last half the players' eyes were so strained trying just to see the ball, that it was impossible to put it where one wanted it. But the Devils won 2-1. Nice going there, Devils!

The last game went by the name Varsity-Alumnae, although only 4 alumnae showed up. But with the three teachers and some extra players a team was made that afforded plenty of fun. And after all that's its biggest aim.

The seniors had the champion team, winning every game they played. The scores were as follows:

Sr-Soph	Sr. 3-0
Sr-Fresh	Sr. 5-0
Soph-Fresh	Soph 2-0
Jr-Soph	Jr. 1-0
Sr-Fresh	Sr. 3-0
Sr-Jr.	Sr. 1-0
Devil-Goat	Devil 2-1

Golf

The golf tournament was in ladder form—each player challenging above her. It lasted from Nov. 1 to Nov. 25 and the three top names were: 1, Mary Kittenbeck; 2, Lib Johnson; 3, Kathryn Armistead. There were sixteen participants.

Tennis

The tennis tournament was finished last week, Leighton Stevens coming out final champ. Congratulations, Steve! But she's used to winning and really deserves it. Just watch her sweat the ball.

Basketball

Now here's something of future interest. The basketball season begins soon and everyone is expecting the biggest crowds and largest number of participants of all the sports. In the A.A. meeting Monday night it was decided that the season start with dormitory teams—one for each floor of the freshman and sophomore dormitories, and one for each floor of the tri-units.

Before basketball starts, volleyball will be emphasized. Get up a team. It's lots of fun.

CANDY MAN SWEET

Flora Ryan is making a royal profit on the Y.W.C.A. candy business. The candy companies enclosed a cunning little kitchen apron last week. Flora is going to put it in her hope chest. Incidentally Flora thinks the candy man is sweet too.

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Everyone receives the name of someone else, so if your "inside of the nut" is unknown to you get some one to tell you who she is and point her out to you. You may gaze at her from afar, say hello, or even

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manuscript copy of the poem to Mr. John S. Mayfield to be placed among his Lanier collection in the Washington Public Library.

Her sonnet is printed below: (In Memory of Sidney Lanier)

THE YOUNG GENIUS

How sad, how short was his day—
That noble life, in which we see
Holiness, beauty, faith, love, and
purity.

Our "sunrise poet" has passed away.
A lover of music whose hands could
play

The flute; those sweet sounds never
ceased

To breathe the noble joys, noble sorrows
with ease

His verse, in which nature's secrets
lay

Were inspiringly penned from his
teeming soul;

Then came the war between the
states

Through which he lived a courageous
life,

Though contracting a sickness which
too soon told

On a mind and body fighting against
fate,

To live just a little longer—to play
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